

MINUTES

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSION

NOVEMBER 18, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commission was called to order at 6:00 PM by Chairman Pat Nuzzolillo. Also present were Commissioners Michael Zuccarelli, William Mitchell, Peter Criscuolo & Joseph Cappucci. Also present were Chief Paul Januszewski and Deputy Chief David Marcarelli.

Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to accept the minutes of the meeting held on October 28, 2015. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mitchell-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Chief Januszewski discussed his Chief's Report. First he thanked William Mitchell for filling in as a Commissioner. Then he discussed EMS calls; training; budget status year-to-date; and stated the sick/injury will be discussed in executive session.

Chief Januszewski discussed the correspondence received within the department. Volunteer Joseph Sicignano sent in a letter asking to transfer into Fire-Police at Montowese Company # 2. A motion will be made after executive session.

Chief Januszewski discussed the unfinished business in the department. He spoke of Co. # 3 & Co. # 4 bid opening 11/24/15; ladder truck estimates to refurbish T1; promotional testing for both Lt and entry level; volunteer application revised – committee formed including resident Jim Buck; lastly, lockers at Co. # 3 & Co. # 4 – thank you to all the volunteers for installing them.

Chairman Nuzzolillo on behalf of the commission thanked the volunteers for installing their lockers and also thanked Jim Buck – Bridgeport Fire Lt & town resident for all his help always to our department and for joining a committee within the department.

Brief discussion was had amongst the commission regarding the ladder truck.

Chief Januszewski discussed the new business in the department. He spoke of the SCBA leasing program with information given out to all members of the commission using the capital equipment line in next year's budget.

Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to enter into a lease agreement for SCBA air packs as discussed. Commissioner Mitchell seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mitchell-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Chief Januszewski then continued discussion of new business. Generator bids will be opened on 12/3/15 for Montowese Co. # 2; CT Hazmat training; lastly, NHASH North's future.

Chief Januszewski spoke of the good of the department. Food & Toy drives held by volunteers; trunk or treat participation; NHHS football games – thank you to all volunteers for participating; FFI candidates doing well; awards committee formed; CAD Map – thank you to Lt. David Obier for preparing this map and updating it from 1970's to identify what mutual aid town should be called.

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked President Brian Marino of Local 2987 if he had any comments. He replied none at this time.

Chairman Nuzzolillo stated on behalf of the commission thank you to all the volunteers for the participation in the food and toy drive events. The children at Yale New Haven Children's Hospital are very grateful.

Commissioner Cappucci thanked all the career and volunteer firefighters involved with the Marion Court structure fire.

There being no further public business to come before the Board, Commissioner Criscuolo motioned to convene an executive session at 6:21 PM. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mitchell-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo moved to reconvene the meeting at 7:26 PM.

Commissioner Zuccarelli made a motion to re-elect Robert Santora as Captain of Northeast Company # 4, effective January 1, 2016 for a three (3) year term. Commissioner Mitchell seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mitchell-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Zuccarelli made a motion to elect Maurice Varney as Captain of West Ridge Company # 3, effective January 1, 2016 for a three (3) year term. Commissioner Criscuolo seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mitchell-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Criscuolo made a motion to table the nomination for Captain of Montowese Company # 2 pending Chief Januszewski's recommendation. Commissioner Mitchell seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mitchell-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Commissioner Cappucci made a motion to accept Joseph Sicignano's transfer into Fire-Police at Montowese Company # 2, effective immediately. Commissioner Zuccarelli seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mitchell-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Chairman Nuzzolillo asked if there were any public comments. Captain Reese Varney of West Ridge Company # 3 thanked the commission for his appointment. Fire-Police member Steve Coulon spoke on behalf of Company # 2 supporting Captain Fred Peters.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Criscuolo moved for adjournment at 7:29 PM. Commissioner Mitchell seconded.

Voted: Nuzzolillo-yes, Zuccarelli-yes, Mitchell-yes, Criscuolo-yes, Cappucci-yes

Respectfully submitted,

William Mitchell, Secretary

The next Board of Fire Commission Meeting is scheduled for December 16, 2015 at Montowese Company # 2 community room. However, it will be postponed to another date to be determined shortly.